

Sporting News

HIGH SCHOOL IS
BEATEN BY KEENE

Outplayed in Line and Unable to Stop Keene's Heavy-Weight, Kibbee

BOTH TEAMS SHOW
POOR TACKLING

Keene Sticks to Straight Line Backing Game — Repeatedly Caught Brattleboro Off Guard — Moran Makes Long Run—Score 23 to 7.

Outplayed in the line and unable to stop Kibbee, whose principal football attributes are weight and good nature, Brattleboro high was defeated in its first game of the season Saturday afternoon by the Keene high school team, which was playing its third game of the season. The score was 23 to 7.

If Brattleboro had done any tackling the score would have been different. In this important fundamental of the game Keene was not much better, but superior line play helped to break up the attack of the home team and helped to cover up the weakness of the poor sort of tackling. It is doubtful if either team made three clean tackles below the waist during the entire game.

A fumbled ball by Thayer, one of the veterans of the team, on an end around play involving a double pass, and the quick swoop of Sherman, an end of the Keene team, upon the ball and his subsequent scamper across the goal line for a touchdown, knocked in the head a promising attack that Brattleboro had gotten started, and boosted the score of the visiting team to a total rather discouraging to the home boys.

Keene stuck entirely to the straight line backing game, using Kibbee almost constantly in smashing attacks at guard and tackle and in plays sliding off tackle. Keene used a play that repeatedly caught Brattleboro off guard and was almost certain to gain from two to three yards. The quarter crouched close behind the center, called "signal" and then paused as if deciding upon the numbers to call. That pause would be fatal to Brattleboro, for the players, waiting to hear the expected numbers called, were caught off guard time and again when the Keene center and left guard would plow ahead and the quarter climb over them for a sizeable gain. It did seem as if after eight or nine successful demonstrations of this play the Brattleboro boys might have been expecting it.

But the big feature of the Keene attack was Kibbee. He was all the team had back of the line, although Jones made one or two fair gains. Kibbee was used so frequently to carry the ball that in plays when he did not carry it he seldom went into the interference. Not until the last period did Danton find a way to stop Kibbee. Danton was opposed by Capt. Casillo and found his hands full. The trouble with Brattleboro, however, was failure to tackle as they had been taught.

Capt. Moran and his brother, Justin, the latter playing his first game, did most of the ground gaining for Brattleboro. Edward Moran made the longest run of the game just before the final call of time when he did off the Keene left tackle with a cloud of interference and got clear for a run of 32 yards. He outstripped his interferers and was brought down by Kibbee, the last defense.

Capt. Moran had hard luck early in the game, when in a mixup he was kicked and the upper lid of his left eye felt open. It bled profusely, but after being patched up he continued in the game. In the last quarter Thayer was proper, but stuck to the game.

Keene did not try a single play that was not the straightest kind of old fashioned football. Brattleboro tried one or two double passes and one forward pass, E. Moran to Thayer, which was blocked. Most of Brattleboro's plays were directed off tackle, for the few times at the center of the Keene line did not yield enough to make them worth trying often.

The game started with Brattleboro kicking off. A Keene player fell on the ball at the sideline five yards from the goal and Kibbee kicked from behind his goal on the first play. Capt. Moran, aided by one or two plunges by his brother and Plumb, carried the ball over the goal line for a touchdown in six minutes. He kicked goal. It looked easy for Brattleboro.

Brattleboro tried the short kick and Nichols recovered the ball. Plumb and the Moran brothers were unable to gain an inch and Capt. Moran kicked the ball going only about 10 yards. Kibbee got 10 at left end and nine more in two plunges into the line. Betterley, who had not been on the field when play started, here entered the game, displacing Manley. Brattleboro was penalized five yards for offside play. Kibbee, aided by a quarterback play through center, got the ball to the two-yard line at the call of time for the first period.

The quarterback play was repeated after the teams changed sides and the ball was on the one foot line. Kibbee plunged over for a touchdown and kicked goal.

Keene kicked off and Justin Moran returned the ball to the 22-yard line. He made a first down. Plumb got seven at left tackle and Justin Moran a first down at Keene's right end. Ed. Moran got six at left tackle. Justin Moran fumbled and Green recovered on his own 45-yard line.

Kibbee started again. Aided by a quarterback plunge and three short gains by Jones, the ball was carried to the Brattleboro four yard line, where Thayer tackled Kibbee cleanly for a loss and Brattleboro got the ball. The Moran brothers were able to make only one yard each in two rushes, but Capt. Moran tried again at left end and the ball went to Keene on downs on Brattleboro's 12-yard line.

Brattleboro's best defense was shown here, for two rushes yielded only two yards. Kibbee then dropped back, picked up a poor pass from the ground and kicked a perfect field goal from a angle, making the score 10 to 7.

Brattleboro kicked off and on the second play Barton was hurt and sent out of the game. The first half ended with the ball in Keene's possession on the 32-yard line.

On the third play after Keene had

kicked off to open the third period Capt. Moran was hurt. Two plays later Thayer fumbled the ball when tackled and Sherman, scooping it up, ran 20 yards for the touchdown. Kibbee missed goal.

Keene kicked off and Capt. Moran unuffed the ball on his goal line, but recovered and carried it out 15 yards. After a few short gains Holart broke through the line and nailed Capt. Moran for a loss and it was Keene's ball.

Thayer and Danton stopped Kibbee after he had made two gains and Brattleboro recovered the ball. Capt. Moran kicked 20 yards and his brother recovered the ball when the Keene back fumbled it. After two small gains Capt. Moran kicked again but only 20 yards. The ball soon changed hands and was in Keene's possession at the call of time for the third quarter.

The last quarter saw another score by Keene, although the Brattleboro defense was stiffening, especially on the left side of the line. Brattleboro finally stopped the advance on her five yard line. Three short gains by Brattleboro were followed by an incomplete forward pass and Capt. Moran kicked. Jones nailed the short kick, but grabbed the ball and got back to the 10-yard line before being stopped by Randall, who pulled him down from behind. Kibbee made three plunges and then Thayer went over with his favorite shove behind center. Kibbee kicked goal.

Brattleboro kicked off, but Kibbee was finally forced to try a field goal, the ball going into the line and being recovered by Justin Moran. Capt. Moran then broke loose for 34 yards before being stopped. His brother made five yards and the captain had made a first down at the final call of time. The summary:

Keene
Osterhout, lg.
Holart, lt.
Leveroni, lg.
Green, c.
Hall, rg.
Casillo, rt. (capt.)
Sherman, re.
Putney, qb.
Jones, lb.
Barton, cutler, rbb.
Kibbee, fb.
E. Moran, (capt.)

Brattleboro
re, Thayer
rt, Plimpton
rg, Adams
c, Howard
lg, Manley, Betterley
lt, Danton
le, Nichols
qb, Randall
rbb, Plumb
lbb, J. Moran
fb, E. Moran, (capt.)

Score—Keene high, 23, Brattleboro high, 7. Touchdowns, Kibbee 1, Sherman 1, Putney 1, E. Moran 1. Goals from touchdowns, Kibbee 2, E. Moran 1. Goal from field, Kibbee. Referee, C. F. Mann of Brattleboro; Umpire, Mr. Parker of Keene. Head linesman, B. Dunlevy of Brattleboro. Time of periods, two 10-minute and two 12-minute.

GREAT PLAYING

BY TUFTS TEAM

Holds Princeton to 3-to-0 Score at Princeton — Yale Wins from Lehigh After Tough Battle.

Tufts' great playing again featured the games on the eastern college football gridirons Saturday. The Medford stars held the Princeton eleven until the final minutes of play when Dave Tibbitt by a 45-yard field goal defeated them 3 to 0. Harvard and Yale won their games though the latter had a tough battle with Lehigh. Springfield college again proved too much for its opponents, while the Massachusetts "Aggies" were unfortunate enough to have the great Dartmouth team on its schedule and the expected result. Amherst, with her weak team, met a similar fate at the hands of Brown while Cornell had a picnic at the expense of Williams. Rutgers held Washington and Lee to even terms. Syracuse swamped Franklin and Marshall. At Hartford, Springfield 25, Trinity 0.

At Princeton, Princeton 3, Tufts 0.
At New Haven, Yale 12, Lehigh 0.
At Cambridge, Harvard 21, North Carolina 0.

At Hanover, Dartmouth 62, Massachusetts "Aggies" 0 0.

At Providence, Brown 69, Amherst 0.
At Ithaca, Cornell 42, Williams 9.

At Urbana, Colgate 15, Illinois 3.
At Middletown, Wesleyan university 19, Bowdoin 19.

At West Point, Army 17, Holy Cross 0.
At Annapolis, Pittsburg 20, Navy 19.

At New York, Columbia 6, Vermont 0.
At Philadelphia, Swatmore 6, Penn 0.

At Lewiston, Bates 7, New Hampshire State 0.

At Andover, Andover 10, Harvard "freshies" 7.

At Washington, Georgetown 60, Eastern college 6.

At Hoboken, Middlebury college 13, Stephens Tech 7.

At Syracuse, Syracuse 60, Franklin and Marshall 0.

At Easton, Ursinus 6, Lafayette 0.

Sporting Notes.

A few days of Percy Haughton makes Harvard look better, but it was North Carolina, not Tufts, that Harvard played Saturday.

The Williams-Amherst game this fall, judging from present records, should be a fairly even match between two poor teams with the odds slightly in favor of Williams.

It won't be long before Doc. Roller will be booked for a wrestling match in Brattleboro. He is to meet Linow in Springfield tonight, opening his annual farewell eastern campaign.

While some Americans are driving ambulances in France for the honor of it others have just arrived in Sweden and are engaging in sports with the elite of the sporting fraternity of that country.

Apparently Tufts' victory over Harvard was not a flash in the pan. It required the favorite Princeton stunt of a substitute kicking a field goal in the last minute of play for the Tigers to beat the Medford collegians by the margin of 3 to 0.

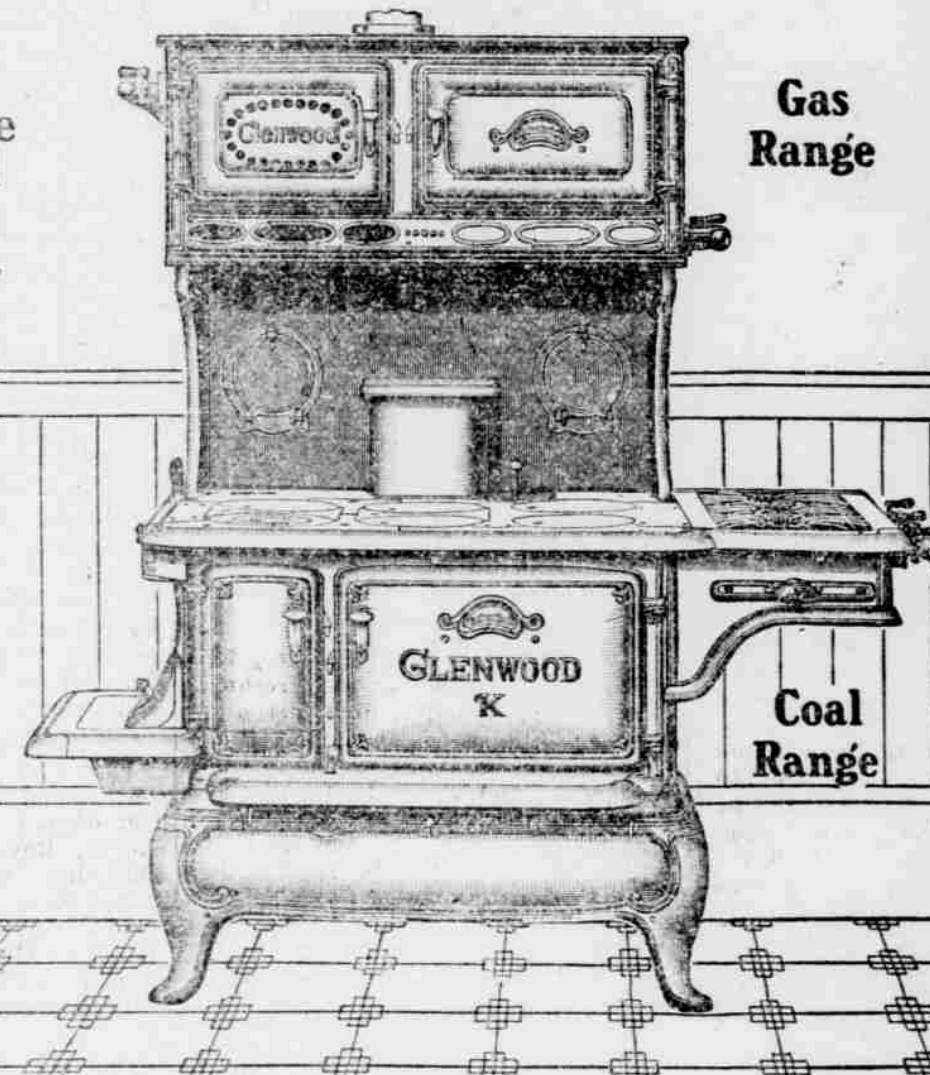
Yale Field, where Saturday's game with Lehigh was played, seats only 5,000 spectators. One thousand more than that number had been refused tickets by the time the game began and the best they could get from the game was a few cheers and yells. It was cold comfort indeed for those on the outside and finally, unable to stand it any longer, they broke down the fences and swarmed onto the enclosure just before the start of the second half.

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PERSONAL.

Oscar Drury of Providence, R. I., was a visitor in town over Sunday.

Mrs. Harland Miller of Reading, Pa., is a guest of Mrs. Frank B. Putnam.

Miss Nettie Bishop has returned from a few days' visit with friends in Wardsboro.

Mr. and Mrs. O. S. Moffitt of East Berkshire are visiting in town a few days.

John Tucker has begun work for E. Crosby & Co., driving the delivery truck.

Miss Susan Haurahan will go to New York tonight on business for the Specialty Shop.

G. H. Smith is spending the day in Northfield Farms with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Smith.

S. E. Arnold of Springfield, Mass., was a week-end guest at the home of Dr. and Mrs. A. E. Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. Don A. Miller went to Springfield, Mass., and Thompsonville yesterday to visit several days.

Henry O. Bowker of Syracuse, N. Y., who is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. George B. White, will return to Syracuse tomorrow.

Levi P. Strong began work this morning for F. A. Larrow. He worked for Floyd Craft in Wilmington during the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Kendall Crocker and chauffeur of Fitchburg, Mass., were guests yesterday in town of their son, Alfred M. Crocker.

Mrs. Carlton J. Brown of Malden, Mass., and granddaughter, Miss Marjorie Hunt, also of Malden, are visitors at George E. Fox's.

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Simonds and Mr. and Mrs. D. P. DeWitt went to Springfield, Mass., this morning by automobile to spend the day.

Benjamin Bingham, who had been at the Mexican border and was mustered out Friday, came Saturday to spend a week in town with his parents, Mr. and C. F. Bingham.

John J. Garrity, Miss Katherine Garrity, Miss Annie Fitzgibbons, Miss Mary Dunn, Miss Josephine Garrity and W. H. Webb went by automobile to Springfield, Mass., yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Ward of Oxford, Mass., were guests yesterday of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Gustafson of Canal street. They went today to Townsend to spend the week with relatives.

Miss Minnie Brown, bookkeeper in the retail department of the Dunham Brothers company, is having a two weeks' vacation, beginning today. She has gone to Boston to spend several days.

William Mead of New York, brother of the late Larkin G. Mead, formerly of Brattleboro, was a visitor here Friday. Mr. Mead is a member of the firm of McKim, Mead & White of New York.

George B. Lawson, former principal of Vermont academy, has entered upon his duties as head of the department of education in the Pennsylvania College for Women, Pittsburgh. Miss Margaret Lawson, who graduated from Wheaton college in June, has taken a position as teacher of history in the Ellis Girls' Preparatory school.

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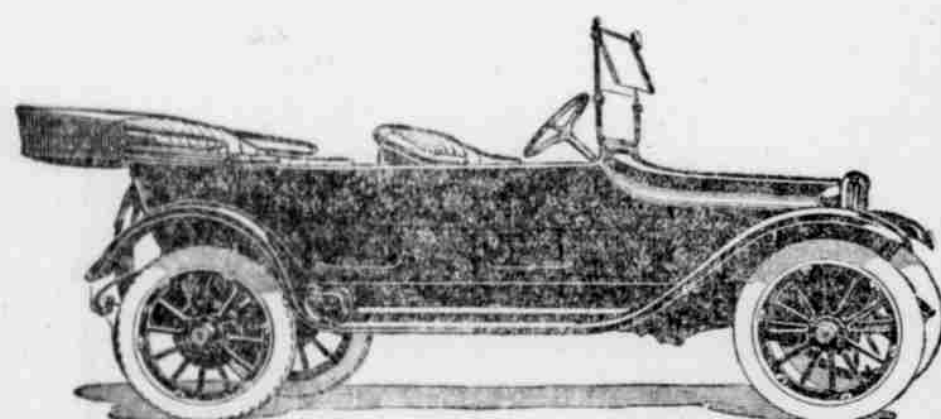
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